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# **EOC Daily Emergency Management Report**

Date: 01/29/2014 Time: 1045 EST Report No: 018-14

### Alerts & Warnings

FEMA National Watch Center – Watch/Steady State National Terrorism Advisory System (NTAS) – No Current Alerts Continuity of Operations (COOP) COGCON Level is 4 EPA HQ at Level 6 (Steady State)

## EPA Headquarters Activities

The ASPECT (Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology) aircraft is located in Addison, TX and is operational and available for deployment.

The Portable High Throughput Integrated Laboratory Identification Systems (PHILIS) located in Edison, NJ and in Castle Rock, CO are operational and available for deployment.

The ERT Trace Atmospheric Gas Analyzer (TAGA) (Las Vegas, Edison, and RTP) and Mobile Command & HazMat Truck (Erlanger and Las Vegas) are available for deployment.

### Significant National Weather

**Severe Weather:** Storm Warnings and Freezing Rain Advisories continue from the Florida Panhandle through the Mid-Atlantic.

**Significant Flood Outlook:** There is significant river flooding occurring today along the border of South Carolina and Georgia.

**Critical Fire Weather**: There are no areas of critical fire weather forecast for today.

**Tornado Weather:** There is a less than a 2-percent chance of tornado activity in all regions today.

Earthquake Activity: No significant earthquake activity.

**Tropical Weather:** No tropical weather forecast with impacts to CONUS.

#### **Report of Incident Notifications**

Region 3, Chemical Spill, Charleston WV – Updates will be provided via EOC Spot Reports

**Region 10, Alaska Avalanche & Trans-Alaska Pipeline System** - On 1/24, two extremely large avalanches occurred outside of Valdez, AK that covered the only direct route highway that connects Valdez to Anchorage. The combination of both avalanches has deposited a debris field estimated to be 100 feet tall and between 1000 to 1500 feet long. It is unknown at this time how soon the debris can be cleared and when the highway will be reopened. The avalanche-created lake on the Lowe River is receding slowly, substantially reducing the risk of flooding; however, a Flash Flood Watch remains in effect.

While the highway remains underwater and impassable, a buried portion of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS) also runs through the nearby area to reach the terminus at the Valdez Marine Terminal. At this time, the TAPS appears to be unaffected by the avalanche (elevation of the TAPS is higher than the high water caused by the snow dam), but close coordinated monitoring is taking place. The EPA Region 10 Duty Officer is in direct communication with the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company and the agencies that make up the Joint Pipeline Office (BLM, ADEC, ADNR) to monitor the changing conditions caused by the avalanche.

There were 22 epaosc.org websites created and/or updated during this reporting period (1/28/14-1/29/14).

### Exercises/Predeployments

Region 2 Super Bowl XLVIII Predeployment: EPA Region 2 is providing technical and logistical support to federal and State agencies in connection with the Super Bowl being held in the Met Life Stadium, East Rutherford, NJ on2/2. EPA's participation began on 1/27 and runs through 2/3. EPA has provided two OSCs to staff the EPA desk at the FBI Building in Newark, NJ. In addition to the Newark deployment, the EPA Edison, NJ Field Office has established a Task Force of OSCs and supporting EPA and contractor personnel. OSCs are manning a special desk in Edison from 7AM to 4:30PM and are in communication with the OSC deployed to Newark. EPA technical and emergency response contractors are on stand-by status and are prepared to respond with OSCs if an incident occurs. In addition to EPA personnel staffing the Edison facility, the Coast Guard's Sector New York and Atlantic Strike Team from Ft. Dix has deployed personnel and equipment to the EPA Edison Field Office for the duration of the Super Bowl.

The Bioresponse Table Top Exercise for the 2014 PARTNER Process is taking place in the HQ EOC from January 28 – 30, 2014.

**Region 7 Annual Emergency Response Program Training is** taking place in Kansas City, MO, January 28 – 31.

#### Regional Daily Ops Status Report

Reported activities primarily represent NRC notifications with some State-level and other notifications to Regional Phone Duty Officers.

**Reported Activities** (1/28/14-1/29/14)

Region	Oil	Hazmat	Radiation	Other	Total
Region 1	0	0	0	0	0
Region 2	5	1	0	1	7
Region 3	3	2	0	1	6
Region 4	14	5	0	5	24
Region 5	0	2	0	0	2
Region 6	3	6	0	2	11
Region 7	0	0	0	0	0
Region 8	0	0	0	0	0
Region 9	3	0	0	1	4
Region 10	2	0	0	0	2
Total	30	16	0	10	56

Note: There were 5 unclassified events in the Hotline Log

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